

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: 04/23/2012
POSITION: Oppose

BILL NUMBER: SB 1107
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BILL SUMMARY: Automated License Data System: nonprofit conservation organizations

Existing law authorizes the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) to issue hunting and fishing licenses, permits, and tags for the taking of specific animals or aquatic species.

This bill would require DFG to display certain non-profit conservation organization logos, linking to the organizations' web sites, on DFG's Automated License Data System (ALDS).

FISCAL SUMMARY

The bill would authorize DFG to charge a fee to approved non-profit conservation organizations for including their logos on the ALDS. The bill would require that the fee not exceed the reasonable costs for DFG to update the ALDS and display the organizations' logos. Additionally, the bill would require the revenue collected from the fee to be continuously appropriated to the department.

At this time, it is unknown how many organizations would be interested in displaying logos on the ALDS. However, initial set up and updating of the ALDS would be required to meet the provisions of the bill as the proposed change is not within the scope of the current contract for the ALDS. Additionally, there would be ongoing costs to the department for maintenance of the organization logos. DFG estimates it would incur approximately \$38,000 to \$57,000 in one-time costs. To the extent that organizations participate, DFG estimates it would cost between \$19,000 and \$22,000 annually to maintain and update the ALDS.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance (Finance) is opposed to the bill. While the bill provides non-profit conservation organizations an opportunity to solicit contact information from a pool of potentially interested individuals who purchase licenses, the bill is absent authority to delay implementation until sufficient interest has been demonstrated by qualified nonprofits. The bill would require DFG to implement the necessary changes to the ALDS without any assurance that a sufficient number of non-profit organizations would participate for DFG to recover costs.

Finance notes this bill is similar to Senate Bill (SB) 752 from 2011. SB 752 would have required DFG to provide license purchasers the option of releasing their contact information to qualified non-profit conservation organizations at the time of their license purchase. However, the bill was vetoed by the Governor in an effort to allow the ALDS to reach final implementation and to allow DFG time to better ascertain the implications of sharing personal information. DFG states that this bill would alleviate past concerns regarding releasing private licensee information. However, Finance notes the ALDS has not yet reached final implementation and it appears premature to make changes to an incomplete system.

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Agency or Revenue	CO	PROP					Fund
Type	RV	98	FC	2011-2012 FC	2012-2013 FC	2013-2014	Code
3600/Dept FishGam	SO	No	A	-- A	38-57 A	19-22	0200
1256/Othr Reg Fee	RV	No	U	-- U	38-57 U	19-22	0200
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>						
0200	Fish and Game Preservation Fund						